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The Honorable Otis G. Pike, Chairman Select Committee on Intelligence House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Chairman Pike:

I have instructed our staff to once again schedule interviews of CIA witnesses for your Committee. The witnesses will be prepared to discuss classified material in informal interviews or depositions conducted by House Select Committee staff in the same fashion as is outlined in my September 30, 1975 letter to you, i.e.,:

"...there will be no public disclosure of this classified material (nor of testimony, depositions or interviews concerning it) without a reasonable opportunity for us to consult with respect to it. In the event of disagreement, the matter will be referred to the President. If the President then certifies in writing that the disclosure of the material would be detrimental to the national security of the United States, the matter will not be disclosed by the Committee, except that the Committee would reserve its right to submit the matter to judicial determination."

I understand that this is agreeable to you.

Sincerely,

W. E. Colby Director



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